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****Media Advisory****

Illinois Law Enforcement to Crack Down on Drunk, Unbuckled Drivers this 4th of July Travel Weekend

Roadside Safety Checks Set Statewide; Effort to Remind Motorists to "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" and "Click It or Ticket"

CHICAGO – In an effort to prevent fatal and serious injury crashes involving Illinois motorists over the Independence Day weekend, the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) will join Illinois State Police (ISP), Chicago Police Department (CPD), Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and the National Highway Safety Administration (NHTSA) to strongly remind motorists to "Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over" and "Click It or Ticket." A press conference will be held on **Wednesday, July 2, 2014 at 10 a.m.** at the **Chicago Police Department Traffic Headquarters, corner of 18th and State Streets, Chicago, IL.**

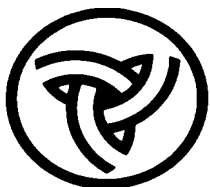
WHO: Scott Kristiansen, IDOT, Division of Transportation Safety
Michael Witter, NHTSA Regional Administrator
Lt. Mike Witt, ISP
Sergeant Scott Slavin, Chicago Police Department
Charlotte Kormendy, MADD

WHAT: Through July 6, hundreds of law enforcement agencies will join IDOT to crackdown on drunk drivers and drunk motorcycle operators. Motorists will also get ticketed for not buckling up in every seating position. The stepped-up effort is intended to reduce crashes on Illinois roads during a key summer travel time.

WHEN: July 2, 2014
10 a.m.

WHERE: Chicago PD Traffic Headquarters
Corner 18th and State, Chicago
*Parking - South lot off 18th St.

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